

### THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS

# MOCK WRITTENS CRITICAL ESSAY PAPER 2022

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CANDIDATE'S NAME:

DATE:

#### DIRECTIONS:

- This paper takes 50 minutes and is worth 40 marks. Candidates may begin writing their essay in this booklet at any point after the examination commences.
- Please use a black or blue ball-point pen to write your responses in the following pages. Write within the lines, on lined pages only. Answers written on blank pages will not be marked.
- You can request additional spare pages from the invigilator if needed. Write your name on the top of any extra page and interleave the page into the booklet at the appropriate place.
- Do not use the scrap paper provided to add any additional pages always ask the invigilator for additional lined pages.

## Critical Essay Question: (40 marks)

In essay form, critically discuss this quotation from different points of view relevant to the practice of psychiatry and provide your conclusion.

### "Biology isn't just genes playing out some unalterable script. It is sensitive to the world around it."

– Reference: Bruce D. Perry, The Boy Who Was Raised As a Dog: And Other Stories from a Child Psychiatrist's Notebook

















